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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY WITH SPECIFICATION

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification dated February 1, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit that the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office is in error. The Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification asserts that Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the Drawings. Applicants have accessed the USPTO electronic version of the above-identified application via PAIR and have determined that Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 are not present in the USPTO electronic version of the above-identified application. However, Applicants respectfully assert that Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 were in the originally filed application and were examined by the Examiner.

Enclosed is a postcard receipt showing the March 19, 1998 filing of the above-identified application with 21 sheets of drawings. Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 are each on their own separate pages. Thus, Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 were present during the March 19, 1998 filing of the above-identified application.

Evidence of the Examiner examining Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 can be seen in the March 9, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application. More specifically, the Examiner required that the Brief Description of the Drawings in the Specification be amended to refer to Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2. In other words, the section of the specification that the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification refers to is the section in which the Examiner required the amendment of "Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2."

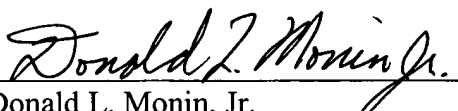
For these reasons, Applicants respectfully assert that Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 were in the originally filed application and were examined by the Examiner. Further, Applicants presume that Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 were lost when the paper copy of the above-identified application was converted into an electronic file. Accordingly, Applicants provide herein replacement sheets of Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2.

U.S. Patent No. 6,032,084 is a parent application of the above-identified application. The Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 that should be in the above-identified application are also in U.S. Patent No. 6,032,084. Thus, the replacement sheets of Figures 2B3-1 & 2B3-2 enclosed herein are the same as those found in U.S. Patent No. 6,032,084.

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